GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5648
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MUSCLEMEN GRABBING SEATS IN UNRESERVED COACHES
DUKHA BHAGAT;MANSINH PATEL;PUTTASWAMY GOWDA

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) Whether coolies and a group of musclemen in connivance with the law enforcement agencies grab the seats in unreserved compartments of all the leading trains starting from New Delhi even before trains stream into the platform and charge money from passengers in lieu thereof;

(b) if so, the facts thereof; and

(c) the steps taken to prevent this lawlessness including the action taken against those found guilty in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINIST RAILWAYS (SHRI O. RAJAGOPAL)

(a) to (c): Some incidents have come to notice. In order to mitigate this problem, regular checks are conducted by the Commercial and Vigilance departments in association with the Police to prevent cornering of seats by anti-social elements. Persons apprehended for cornering of seats are taken up under the rules and relevant provisions of the law.